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PROPOSED USE OF "AKHMED" AS GROUP LEADER IN THE WHITE LINE (1944)

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To VIKTOR. [i]

After thorough consideration of AKHMED's^[ii] qualities and (in part) of his potentialities, we have come to the conclusion that he is suitable for the role of group leader in the White Line in place of [O% BEK].^[iii] However, for our proposal to be [O% made] with confidence a personal talk with AKHMED himself is [O% absolutely] essential. In this talk we should also clarify the all-important question of AKHMED's potentialities in the First Line (see his communication about KATZ[KATS]^[iv] and CALIPH[KALIF])^[v]. We have received from BEK a detailed personal description of AKHMED which gives grounds for thinking that the latter is devoted to us and exceedingly capable as a probationer[STAZHER]. Please give sanction for NAZAR^[vi] to have a special personal talk with AKHMED for the purpose of deciding in what direction he should be used in future.

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11th November

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Comments: [i] VIKTOR : Lt. Gen. P. M. FITIN.
[ii] AKHMED : Unidentified cover-name.
[iii] BEK : Sergej Nikolaevich KURNAKOV.
[iv] KATZ : Unidentified cover-name.
[v] CALIPH : William Christian BULLITT.
[vi] NAZAR : Stepan Nikolaevich SHUNDENKO.
[vii] MAY : Stepan Zakharovich APRESYAN, Soviet Vice-Consul
in NEW YORK.